

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner found that claims 8, 9, 11, 19, 20, 22, 30, 31, and 33 are allowable.

The Examiner found that claims 2, 5, 13, 16, 24, and 27 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form, including the requirements of base and intervening claims.

Applicants added the requirements of allowable claims 2, 13, and 24 into independent claims 1, 12, and 23 to place claims 1, 12, and 23 in condition for allowance. Applicants canceled claims 2, 13, and 24.

The Examiner objected to claims 5, 6, 10, 16, 17, 21, 27, 28, and 32 due to informalities. (Second Office Action, pg. 4) Applicants amend the claims to overcome these objections.

Applicants amended claims 5, 16, and 27 as requested by the Examiner and made further clarifications to clarify the claim language, such as changing "third site" to "third storage site".

Applicants amended claims 6, 17, and 28 as the Examiner requested.

Applicants amended claim 10, 21, and 32 to change "remote site" to "third storage site" as the Examiner suggested.

Applicants amended claims 9, 11, 20, 22, 31, and 33 to correct a minor grammatical error, changing "first and second data structure" to "first and second data structures".

Applicants submit that the pending claims 1, 3-12, 14-23, 25-33 are patentable over the art of record. Applicants have not added any claims. Nonetheless, should any additional fees be required, please charge Deposit Account No. 09-0449.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 553-7977 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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